

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CONSERVATION, FORESTRY, AND OUTDOOR RECREATION

327 House Office Building

Thursday 8:30 A.M.

March 10, 2005

Representative Tom Casperson, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Representative Casperson requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

Present: Representatives Casperson, Hildenbrand, Garfield, Nitz, Stakoe, Baxter, Rocca, McDowell, Sheltroun, Gillard and Espinoza.

Absent: None.

Representative Garfield moved, supported by **Representative Espinoza**, to approve the minutes of the **March 3, 2005** meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by **unanimous consent**.

The Chair laid HB 4186 before the committee.

HB 4186 Rocca	Weapons; concealed; renewal date of concealed pistol permit; establish as same day as expiration of permit when renewed prior to expiration date.
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Representative Rocca testified in support of **HB 4186**. Questions and discussion followed.

The following submitted testimony cards in **support of HB 4186**, but did not wish to speak.

Alec Lloyd, representing the Great Lakes Shooting Sports Association

Donna Stine, representing the Michigan United Conservation Clubs

Diane Zuker, representing the Michigan Association of County Clerks

Bryan B Reynard, representing the Shooter Alliance for Firearms Rights

Sergeant Carl Lafata, representing the Michigan State Police Troopers Association submitted a testimony card indicating a **neutral position on HB 4186**, and did not wish to speak.

Rod Collins, representing the Great Lakes Shooting Sports Association, testified in support of **HB 4186**. Mr. Collins also submitted written testimony.* Questions and discussion followed

Mr. Gary Huggins, representing the Michigan Coalition for Responsible Gun Owners testified in support of **HB 4186**. Mr. Huggins also submitted written testimony.* Questions and discussion followed.

Michael Thiede and Brad Benzing, representing the Shooter Alliance for Firearms Rights testified in support of **HB 4186**. Mr. Benzing also submitted written testimony.* Questions and discussion followed.

Mr. David K. Felbeck, legislative analyst for the Michigan Coalition for Responsible Gun Owners, submitted written testimony.*

Representative Rocca offered the following amendment to **HB 4186**.

1. Amend page 2, line 2, after “**EXPIRES**” by striking out “**SHALL BEAR A RENEWAL**” and inserting a comma and “**BUT NOT MORE THAN 1 YEAR BEFORE THE IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING LICENSE TERM EXPIRES, SHALL BEAR AN ISSUE**”.

Representative Espinoza moved, supported by **Representative Baxter**, to adopt the amendment.

The motion prevailed by a **vote of 11-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Casperson, Hildenbrand, Garfield, Nitz, Stakoe, Baxter, Rocca, McDowell, Sheltrown, Gillard and Espinoza,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

Representative Hildenbrand moved, supported by **Representative Nitz**, to report out **HB 4186** as substitute (**H-2**), with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a **vote of 11-0-0**.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Casperson, Hildenbrand, Garfield, Nitz, Stakoe, Baxter, Rocca, McDowell, Sheltrown, Gillard and Espinoza,
Nays: None,
Pass: None.

HB 4186 reported out as substitute (H-2), with recommendation.

The Chair laid **HB 4024** before the committee.

HB 4024	Stewart	Recreation; state parks; public notification of new openings or expansions of state parks; require.
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Maureen Doyle, legislative aide to **Representative Stewart**, testified in support of **HB 4024**.

Rodney Stokes, representing the Department of Natural Resources, testified in opposition to **HB 4024**. Questions and discussion followed.

Tom Hickson, representing the Michigan Association of Counties, testified in support of **HB 4024**. Questions and discussion followed.

Donna Stine, representing the Michigan United Conservation Clubs, testified in opposition to **HB 4024**. Questions and discussion followed.

David Bertram, representing the Michigan Townships Association submitted a testimony card in support of **HB 4024**, but did not wish to speak.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the **Chair** adjourned the meeting, the time being **9:45 a.m.**

Representative Tom Casperson, Chair

Dave Mead
Committee Clerk
March 10, 2005
1 hour 15 minutes

Date Approved and Signed

* indicated printed material attached to original minutes.